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	<u>PRELIMINARY</u>	<u>AMENDMENT</u>	
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Sir:

Prior to examination, kindly amend the above-identified application in the following manner.

IN THE CLAIMS:

Kindly amend Claims 1-9 as indicated below.

(Amended) An absorbent structure for absorbent articles such as diapers, pants dapers, incontinence protectors, sanitary napkins, panty liners, wherein the structure comprises at least 40 percent by weight superabsorbent material based on the total weight of the absorbent structure in a dry state in the region or in these regions in which the